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LOK SABHA

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SPECIALISED DESIGN CENTRE
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Orissa has offered land free of cost for setting up of a specialized design centre at Bhubaneswar;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) the action taken by the Government thereon;

(d) whether the Union Government proposes to set up four new design institutes on the pattern of NID, Ahmedabad; and

(e) if so, the details in this regard, location-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR)

(a) & (b): The Government of Orissa had requested in March 2007 for opening of a branch of National Institute of Design (NID) at Bhubaneswar. The State Government had indicated its willingness to provide necessary infrastructure like land for this purpose.

(c) to (e): The National Design Policy envisages raising of Indian design education to global standards of excellence. The Action Plan for implementation of the Policy involves setting up of new design institutes. The number of such Institutes and their exact locations are yet to be finalized.